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RESERVE FUND, 1,400,000 Dollars.

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HONGKONG.

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For 3 months, 3 per cent. per annum.
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T. JACKSON, Chief Manager.

Office of the Corporation,
No. 1, Queen's Road East,
Hongkong, August 16, 1879.

COMPTOIR D'ESCOMPTE DE PARIS.

(Incorporated 7th & 18th March, 1848.)

RECOGNISED by the INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION OF 30th APRIL, 1862.

CAPITAL FULLY PAID-UP, £3,200,000.
RESERVE FUND, £280,000.

HEAD OFFICE—14, Rue Bergère, PARIS.

AGENCIES and BRANCHES at:
LONDON, BOUBON, SAN FRANCISCO, MARSEILLES, BOMBAY, HONGKONG, LYONS, CALCUTTA, HANKOW, NANTES, SHANGHAI, FOOCHOW.

LONDON BANKERS:
THE BANK OF ENGLAND.
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The Hongkong Agency receives Fixed Deposits on Terms to be ascertained on application, grants Drafts and Credits on all parts of the World, and transacts every description of Banking Exchange Business.
E. G. VOUILLEMONT, Manager, Shanghai.

Hongkong, May 20, 1879.

ORIENTAL BANK CORPORATION.

(Incorporated by Royal Charter.)

PAID-UP CAPITAL, £1,600,000.

RATES OF INTEREST ALLOWED ON DEPOSITS.
At 3 months notice 3 1/2 per Annum.
" 6 " 4 " "
" 12 " 5 " "

Current Accounts kept on Terms which may be learnt on application.
GEO. O. SCOTT, Acting Manager.

Oriental Bank Corporation,
Hongkong, September 4, 1879.

Bank.

CHARTERED BANK OF INDIA, AUSTRALIA, AND CHINA.

CAPITAL, £800,000.
RESERVE FUND, £150,000.

THE BANK OF ENGLAND.
THE CITY BANK.
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THE BANK'S BRANCH in Hongkong grants Drafts on London and the Chief Commercial places in Europe and the East; buys and receives for collection Bills of Exchange, and conducts all kinds of Banking and Exchange Business.

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On Current Accounts, 2 per cent. per annum on the daily balance.
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For 3 months, 3 per cent. per annum.
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H. H. NELSON, Manager.

Hongkong, May 31, 1879.

CHARTERED MERCANTILE BANK OF INDIA, LONDON & CHINA.

(Incorporated by Royal Charter.)

THE following Rates of Interest are allowed on Fixed Deposits:—
For 12 months, 5 per cent. per annum.
" 6 " 4 per cent. " "
" 3 " 2 per cent. " "

H. H. NELSON, Manager.

Hongkong, May 31, 1879.

NATIONAL BANK OF INDIA, LIMITED.

Registered in London under the Companies' Act of 1862, on 23rd March, 1866.

Established in Calcutta 29th September, 1863.

SUBSCRIBED CAPITAL, £933,000.
PAID-UP CAPITAL, £465,250.
RESERVE FUND, £20,000.

HEAD OFFICE—39A, Threadneedle Street, LONDON, E.C.

LONDON BANKERS:—NATIONAL PROVINCIAL BANK OF ENGLAND. NATIONAL BANK OF SCOTLAND.

All descriptions of Banking and Exchange business transacted.
Interest allowed on Current Accounts at the rate of 2 per cent. per annum on the daily balance; and on Fixed Deposits according to arrangement—the maximum rate being 5 per cent. per annum.
R. H. SANDEMAN, Manager.

Hongkong, November 1, 1879.

Entertainment.

THEATRE ROYAL, CITY HALL.

MISS ELOIA MAY will give a PERFORMANCE for ONE NIGHT ONLY, THIS EVENING, SATURDAY, Dec. 20th, 1879, being her FAREWELL TO THE EAST, assisted by THE EMINENT TRAGEDIAN MR. B. FAIRCLOUGH.

DUNCAN MACALLUM, Agent.

Hongkong, December 20, 1879. de21

THEATRE ROYAL, CITY HALL.

THE HONGKONG AMATEUR DRAMATIC CLUB will perform SHERIDAN'S COMEDY "SCHOOL FOR SCANDAL" at the CITY HALL THEATRE, On the EVENING of MONDAY, the 29th INSTANT.

Seats may be secured at Messrs LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.'s, on and after WEDNESDAY, the 24th INSTANT.

Hongkong, December 18, 1879. de30

THE HONGKONG CHORAL SOCIETY

will perform "THE SORCERER" at the CITY HALL THEATRE, On THURSDAY, the 8th January, at 9 p.m.

Tickets may be purchased and places secured at Messrs LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.'s, on and after SATURDAY, the 3rd Proximo.

W. WHEELER, Hon. Secretary.

Hongkong, December 17, 1879. ja3

For Sale.

LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.

HAVE Just RECEIVED their Usual Assortment of CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEAR'S PRESENTS, Comprising:—
GLOVE and HANDKERCHIEF BOXES. JEWELRY BOXES and SCENT CABINETS. PRINCESS STATIONERY CABINETS. VELVET WORK BAGS. WORK BOXES in Leather and Fancy Woods. CARD TRAYS and SCRAP BOOKS. VELVET PHOTOGRAPH FRAMES. STATUETTES.

Handsome Bound and Illustrated GIFT BOOKS, Comprising:—
PICTURE GALLERY OF MODERN ART. SWITZERLAND ILLUSTRATED. WOODLAND ROMANCE. THE BIRD, BY JULES MICHELET. THE INSECT, BY JULES MICHELET. THE BIRD WORLD. THE ECHO OF HADES.

A Large Assortment of Newest GIFT BOOKS for Boys and Girls. CHRISTMAS and NEW YEAR CARDS, the Latest Novelties. Elegantly Dressed FRENCH DOLLS. DOLLS' PORTMANTEAUX, completely fitted. SWIMMING and WASHING DOLLS. MECHANICAL TOYS, in Great Variety. DOLLS' PERAMBULATORS. PUZZLES, GAMES, BRICKS. HORSES and CARTS, WHEEL-BARROWS. DRUMS, TRUMPETS, GUNS and SWORDS.

THE PRESENT SEASON'S NOVELTIES in COSAQUES, Comprising:—
HELEN'S BARRIERS' CRACKERS, PICTORIAL. INCOGNITA, COMICAL and CLUB CRACKERS. BELLES OF THE SEASON, &c., &c., &c. PAINT BOXES.

CHRISTMAS CAKES and PLUM PUDDINGS. FRENCH PLUMS. BLOOM MUSCATELS. Crystallized CHOCOLATE BONBONS. CHOCOLATE in Pretty Boxes, for Presents. FRENCH BONBONS. DRAGEES. FRUITS in Noyau. JUJUBES. SMYRNA FIGS. BRAZIL NUTS. BARCELONA ALMONDS.

LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.

Hongkong, December 2, 1879. ja2

For Sale.

KELLY & WALSH

HAVE just received a Fine Assortment of ILLUSTRATED and STANDARD WORKS, specially suitable for CHRISTMAS PRESENTS.

Moore's "LALLA ROOKH," Tenniel's Illustrations, ... \$3.50
PICTURES FROM BIBLE LANDS, SWISS PICTURES, ITALIAN PICTURES, &c., each 5.00
CHAMBERS'S ENCYCLOPEDIA, 10 vols., new edition, ... 30.00
THE GLOBE ENCYCLOPEDIA, 6 vols., ... 25.00
The Handy Vol. SCOTT, in case, The Handy Vol. TENNYSON, in case, ... 7.50
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Photograph ALBUMS! Scrap ALBUMS! Stationery CASES, and a Fine Assortment of CHRISTMAS PRESENTS.
Hongkong, Dec. 18, 1879. ja1

LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.

Hongkong, December 2, 1879. ja2

Shipping.

Steamers.

FOR SWATOW, AMOY & FOOCHOW. The Steamship "NAMO," Capt. Wessony, will be despatched for the above Ports on SUNDAY, the 21st Inst., at Daylight. For Freight or Passage, apply to DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co. Hongkong, December 16, 1879. de21

FOR MANILA. The Steamship "DIAMANTE," Capt. TEBBARD, will be despatched for the above Port on MONDAY, the 22nd Inst., at 2 p.m. For Freight or Passage, apply to RUSSELL & Co. Hongkong, December 17, 1879. de22

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY. FOR SHANGHAI VIA AMOY. (Taking Cargo and Passengers at through rates for HANKOW and Ports on the YANGTSE.) The Company's Steamship "TEUOER," Capt. R. T. Power, will be despatched on MONDAY, 22nd Inst., at 4 p.m. For Freight or Passage, apply to BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents. Hongkong, December 19, 1879. de22

AUSTRALASIAN STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY. FOR PORT DARWIN, COOKTOWN, SYDNEY & MELBOURNE. Taking Cargo and Passengers at through rates for all Australasian and New Zealand Ports. TASMANIA, NEW CALEDONIA & FIJI. The Chartered Steamer "CRUSADE," T. Row, Commander, will be despatched as above on or about the 24th Instant, instead of as previously notified. For Freight or Passage, apply to GEO. R. STEVENS & Co. Hongkong, December 8, 1879. de24

SHIRE LINE OF STEAMERS. FOR YOKOHAMA AND HIGO. The Steamship "BRECOSHI," STURROCK, Commander, expected here on or about the 20th Inst., will have immediate despatch for the above Ports. For Freight or Passage, apply to ADAMSON, BELL & Co., Agents. Hongkong, December 19, 1879.

NOTICE. COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES. PAQUEBOT POSTE FRANCAIS. The Company's Steamship "TANAI," Command. DE LA MARCELLE, will be despatched for YOKOHAMA shortly after the arrival of the next French Mail from Europe. G. DE CHAMPEAUX, Agent. Hongkong, December 17, 1879.

NOTICE. COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES. PAQUEBOT POSTE FRANCAIS. The Company's Steamship "FEIHO," Commandant PASQUALINI, will be despatched for SHANGHAI shortly after her arrival from Europe. G. DE CHAMPEAUX, Agent. Hongkong, December 17, 1879.

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Shipping.

Steamers.

FOR SINGAPORE, BRISBANE, SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE. (Calling off the usual Coast Ports, and taking through Cargo and Passengers for New Zealand.) The Eastern and Australian Mail Steam Co.'s Steamer "SOMERSET" will be despatched as above on SATURDAY, the 27th Inst., at Noon. For Freight or Passage, apply to GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co. Hongkong, December 12, 1879. de27

FOR MANILA (DIRECT.) The Spanish Steamer "CHURROA," Captain ABARCA, shortly expected, will have immediate despatch for the above Port. For Freight or Passage, apply to REMEDIOS & Co. Hongkong, December 18, 1879.

FOR MANILA (DIRECT.) The Steamship "ROMULUS," Capt. WATT, will have immediate despatch for the above Port. For Freight or Passage, apply to REMEDIOS & Co. Hongkong, December 18, 1879.

SHIRE LINE OF STEAMERS. FOR SINGAPORE & LONDON VIA CANAL. The Steamship "MERIONETHSHIRE," RICKARD, Commander, expected here in about a fortnight, will have immediate despatch for the above Port. For Freight or Passage, apply to ADAMSON, BELL & Co., Agents. Hongkong, December 13, 1879.

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY. FOR LONDON VIA SUEZ CANAL. The Company's Steamship "ANTENOR" will be despatched on or about the 22nd Instant. For Freight or Passage, apply to BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents. Hongkong, December 10, 1879.

FOR NEW YORK. The Steamship "BENGLOE," due here immediately, will have room for a limited amount of Cargo. For Freight, apply to GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co., Agents. Hongkong, December 17, 1879.

CASTLE LINE OF STEAMERS. FOR NEW YORK VIA SUEZ CANAL. The Steamship "FLEURS CASTLE," KIDDER, Commander, expected here in about a fortnight, will have immediate despatch for the above Port. For Freight or Passage, apply to ADAMSON, BELL & Co., Agents. Hongkong, December 11, 1879.

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Auctions.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned will sell by Public Auction, on

MONDAY,

the 22nd December, 1879, at 2 o'clock p.m., at his Auction Sales Rooms, Peddar's Wharf,—

An Invoice of Choice JAPAN WARE, comprising: Satsuma, Kanga, and Yeddo Ware, viz., Handsomely Decorated Vases of assorted sizes and shapes, Bowls, Card Trays, Dejeuner, Tea and Coffee Sets, &c., &c.
Best quality Lacquer and Tortoise-Shell Ware, comprising: Cabinets, Work Boxes, Tea Caddies, Cigar and Glove Boxes, Writing Desks, etc., etc.
Bronze and Enamelled Vases, Ornaments, &c., &c.

Also,

A Collection of OLD CHINA PORCELAIN, such as Vases, Bowls, Plates, etc., etc.

The above will be on view on SATURDAY NEXT.

TERMS—Cash on delivery.

G. R. LAMMERT,

Auctioneer.

Hongkong, Dec. 18, 1879. de22

Not Responsible for Debts.

Neither the Captain, the Agents, nor Owners will be Responsible for any Debt contracted by the Officers or Crew of the following Vessels, during their stay in Hongkong Harbour:—

PALMA, German barque, Capt. Binge.—Melchers & Co.

HONGKONG, German 3-masted schooner, Captain Carl Oom.—Wilder & Co.

PEIKO, German barque, Capt. Seetamp.—Siemssen & Co.

MOSES B. TOWER, American barkentine, Capt. C. Hall.—Jardine, Matheson & Co.

ALICE REED, American barque, Capt. J. H. Kilbeam.—Melchers & Co.

AMY TURNER, American barque, Captain A. W. Newell.—Russell & Co.

LAUREL, British barque, Capt. Johnson.—Gibb, Livingston & Co.

MIDDLESEX, British barque, Captain A. Walsh.—Borneo Company.

To-day's Advertisements.

NOTICE.

ANY Persons who have CLAIMS against the British Barque BELTED WILL are requested to send them in on or before MONDAY, the 22nd instant, at 10 A.M., or they will not be recognized.

GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.

Hongkong, December 20, 1879. de22

G. FALCONER & Co.,

WATCH AND CHRONOMETER MANUFACTURERS,

AND

JEWELLERS.

NAUTICAL INSTRUMENTS, CHARTS AND BOOKS.

48, Queen's Road Central.

Hongkong, December 20, 1879. ja20

SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.

Dec. 20, Douglas, British steamer, 864, M. Young, Foochow Dec. 16, Amoy 17, and Swatow 19, General.—DOUGLAS LARPAKE & Co.

Dec. 20, Fuyue, Chinese steamer, 920, Croad, Shanghai Dec. 16, General.—O. M. S. N. Co.

Dec. 20, Khungchow, British steamer, 159, A. N. Love, Hoihow Dec. 18, General.—KYOK ACHONG.

Dec. 20, Hochung, Chinese steamer, from Canton.

Dec. 20, Yungching, Chinese steamer, from Canton.

Dec. 20, Ben Gloe, British steamer, 1198, J. W. Buchanan, Amoy Dec. 19, Tea.—GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.

Dec. 20, Yotung, British steamer, 286, D. McDougall, Swatow Dec. 19, General.—KYOK ACHONG.

Dec. 20, Carl, German brig, 225, Thomsen, Amoy Dec. 17, Ballast.—ARNHOLD, KARBURG & Co.

DEPARTURES.

Dec. 20, Pehr Brahe, for Cebu.

20, Undine, for Cebu.

20, Patroclus, for London, &c.

20, Vesta, for Saigon.

20, Fuyue, for Canton.

20, H.M.S. Sheldrake, for Canton.

CLEARED.

Jessie McDonald, for London.

Friedrich, for Saigon.

Hochung, for Shanghai.

Namoa, for Coast Ports.

Joachim Christian, for Manila.

Queen of India, for London.

Ben Gloe, for Singapore and New York.

Teuer, for Amoy.

Garimorn, for Manila.

PASSENGERS.

ARRIVED.

For Douglas, from Coast Ports, Messrs Wotton, Kandelberger, d'Azavedo, Cholmondeley, and Wade, and 173 Chinese.

For Khungchow, from Hoihow, Mr G. W. Lee, and 29 Chinese.

For Ben Gloe, from Shanghai, 103 Chinese.

For Ben Gloe, from Amoy, six Naval Lieutenants and one Civilian.

DEPARTED.

For Patroclus, for London, Mr McClure, 5 Chinese, 5 Europeans and P.O. McDougall and attendance.

SHIPPING REPORTS.

The British steamer Ben Gloe reports: Strong N.E. breeze throughout.

The Chinese steamer Fuyue reports: First part light winds and fine as far as

Tung Ying; thence to port fresh N.E. monsoon and fine.

The British steamer Douglas reports: Left Foochow on Tuesday, 10th Dec., Amoy 17th, and Swatow 19th. From Foochow to Amoy had fresh winds with fine clear weather; from Amoy to Swatow had moderate N.E. and N.N.E. winds and clear weather; thence to port fresh E.N.E. winds and clear weather. In Foochow: S. S. Hachan and America. In Amoy: S. S. Ben Gloe, H. M. S. Frolic, and U. S. S. Richmond. In Swatow: S. S. Newchwang. The Yotung leaving Swatow at same time as Douglas.

POST OFFICE NOTICES.

MAILS will close:—

For SHANGHAI.—Per Hochung, at 9 a.m. To-morrow, the 21st inst.

For SWATOW & SHANGHAI.—Per Yungching, at 9 a.m. To-morrow, the 21st inst.

For NEW YORK.—Per barque Iphigenia, at 10 a.m., on Monday, the 22nd inst.

For MANILA.—Per Diamante, at 1.30 p.m., on Monday, the 22nd inst.

For SAIGON.—Per Bombay, at 2.30 p.m., on Tuesday, the 23rd inst.

For HIOGO, YOKOHAMA, AND NAGASAKI.—Per Takasago Maru, at 5 p.m., on Friday, the 26th inst.

MAILS BY THE FRENCH PACKET.—The French Contract Packet Ocus will be despatched on WEDNESDAY, the 24th instant, with Mails to and through the United Kingdom and Europe, via Naples; to Saigon, Straits Settlements, Batavia, Burmah, Ceylon, India (via Madras), Australia, New Zealand, Tasmania, Fiji, Aden, Seychelles, Reunion, Mauritius, Suez, and Alexandria. This is the best opportunity for forwarding Correspondence to E. Africa, the Cape, St. Helena, and Ascension.

The usual hours will be observed in closing the Mails, &c.

MAILS BY THE UNITED STATES PACKET.—The United States Mail Packet City of Peking, will be despatched on WEDNESDAY, the 24th Dec., with Mails for Japan, San Francisco, the United States, Canada, Honolulu, Peru, &c., which will be closed as follows:—

2.15 P.M.—Registry ceases.

2.30 P.M.—Post-Office closes, but Letters (except for Non-Union Countries) may be posted on board the Packet with Late Fee of 18 cents extra Postage until the time of departure.

Correspondence for Non-Union West Indies (except the Bahamas and Hayti), Monte Video, Paraguay, and Uruguay cannot be sent by this route.

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MAILS BY THE BRITISH PACKET.—The British Contract Packet Peshawar will be despatched on WEDNESDAY, the 31st instant, with Mails to and through the United Kingdom and Europe via Brindisi or Southampton; to the Straits Settlements, Batavia, Burmah, Ceylon, India, Aden, Egypt, Malta, and Gibraltar.

N.B.—This Packet carries no mails for the Australian Colonies, E. or S. Africa, nor for Mauritius.

HOURS FOR CLOSING

THE ENGLISH MAIL.

Day of Departure.—

5 P.M.—Money Order Office closes;

Post Office closes till 8 P.M., except the NIGHT BOX, which is always open out of office hours.

8 P.M.—Post Office opens.

9 P.M.—Registry of Letters ceases.

Posting of all printed matter and patterns ceases.

10 P.M.—Mails closed, except for Late Letters.

10.10 P.M.—Letters may be posted with Late Fee of 18 cents until

10.30 P.M.—when the Post Office closes entirely.

10.40 P.M.—Late Letters may be posted on board the packet with Late Fee of 18 cents until time of departure.

Shipping Intelligence.

The following is corrected from the latest London and Colonial Papers, &c.:—

VESSELS TO ARRIVE.

AT HONGKONG.

Left. Name. From.

May, 5, Alexander, Penarth

June, 31, Newcastle, Antwerp

July, 27, Pym, Antwerp

Aug., 8, Glenrosa, Antwerp

19, Comus, Glasgow

24, Primrose, Penarth

Aug., 9, E.H. Rickmers, Penarth

12, Papa, Hambro

14, Hesperus, Cardiff

17, Minnie Carvill, Cardiff

17, Coldstream, Antwerp

18, Glandinorwig, Antwerp

18, Bannau, Hamburg

Sept., 13, Hecla, Penarth

13, Carmelita & Ida, Cuxhaven

17, Livingstone, Cuxhaven

20, Lucia, London

Oct., 3, Parnas, Cardiff

9, Ganymede (s.), Liverpool

16, Peru, Flushing

17, Chill, Flushing

25, Palestine, London

26, Bernhard Carl, (for Swatow) Penarth

LOADING FOR CHINA AND JAPAN PORTS.

At London.—Steamers via Suez Canal.

Escombia, Gleniffer.

Flintshire, Breconshire.

Oct., 3, Parnas, Cardiff

9, Ganymede (s.), Liverpool

16, Peru, Flushing

17, Chill, Flushing

25, Palestine, London

26, Bernhard Carl, (for Swatow) Penarth

Sailing Vessels.

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MEMOS. FOR TO-MORROW.

Shipping.

Daylight.—Namoa leaves for Coast Ports.

RELIGIOUS SERVICES:—

S. JOHN'S CATHEDRAL.—The Right Reverend Bishop Burdon. Morning Service 11, Evening 5.45. Holy Communion on the first Sunday in the month.

Military Service.—Rev. J. Henderson, officiating Military Chaplain. At 8 a.m. Morning Prayer, &c. Holy Communion on the second and fourth Sunday in the month.

UNION CHURCH.—Morning Service, at 11 a.m., Afternoon, 6 p.m.—Divine Service in Chinese, 2-3 p.m. every Sunday, with communion on first Sunday of every month, —Rev. Dr. Chalmers.

ST. PETER'S SEAMEN'S CHURCH.—Rev. J. Henderson. Service at 5 p.m., every Sunday.—Wednesday and Friday, at 11 a.m. All seats free. Morning Prayer and Communion on the first Sunday in each month at 11 a.m.

ST. STEPHEN'S MISSION CHURCH.—Rev. J. Henderson. Service at 5 p.m., every Sunday. (All Services in Chinese.) Morning Prayer:—Liturgy, Ante-Communion, and Sermon, at 11 a.m. Bible Class, at 3 p.m. Preaching, at 6.30 p.m. Holy Communion, 1st Sunday in Chinese month.

BERLIN FOUNDLING HOUSE.—Service in the German language, by Pastor R. Klitzke, every Sunday, at half-past ten a.m., in the Chapel of the Berlin Foundling House, West Point.

ST. JOSEPH'S CHURCH, Garden Road.—In the morning, Mass at 8 o'clock.

MEMOS. FOR MONDAY.

Shipping.

2 p.m.—Diamante leaves for Manila.

4 p.m.—Teucer leaves for Shanghai.

Auction.

2 p.m.—Auction of Japan Ware, &c., at Mr G. R. Lammert's Sales Rooms.

Miscellaneous.

10 a.m.—Claims against the Belled Will are requested to send in to the Gibb, Livingston & Co.

Amusement.

9 p.m.—Dramatic Performance at the City Hall.

General Memoranda.

WEDNESDAY, December 24:—

Noon.—Tenders for Building Quarters received at Naval Store Office.

3 p.m.—American Mail leaves for Yokohama and San Francisco.

Cruiser leaves for Port Darwin, Cooktown, &c., on or about this date.

11 p.m.—French Mail leaves for Ports of Call and Europe.

THURSDAY, (Christmas Day), Dec. 25:—

Local Banks close.

FRIDAY, December 26:—

Local Banks close.

SATURDAY, December 27:—

Daylight.—Mitan Bihl Mail leaves for Yokohama via Kobe.

Noon.—Somerset leaves for Singapore, Brisbane, &c.

WEDNESDAY, December 31:—

11 p.m.—English Mail leaves for Ports of Call and Europe.

THURSDAY, (New Year's Day), 1880:—

Local Banks close.

THURSDAY, January 8:—

9 p.m.—"Sorcerer" at the City Hall.

WEDNESDAY, January 14:—

3 p.m.—Occidental & Oriental S. S. Co.'s Steamer leaves for Yokohama and San Francisco.

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THE CHINA MAIL.

HONGKONG, SATURDAY, DEC. 20, 1879.

REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.

[SUPPLIED TO THE "CHINA MAIL."]

(Per E. E. A. & Co. Telegraph Co.'s Line.)

DESPERATE BATTLE ON THE GHUZUL ROAD; BRITISH LOSS 17 OFFICERS AND 107 MEN.

THE BRITISH POSITION AT KABUL CRITICAL.

LONDON, December 17.

The British force on the Ghuzul Road has been attacked by 20,000 of the enemy; after desperate fighting the latter were defeated, with a loss on the British side in killed and wounded of 17 officers and 107 men.

The British position at Kabul is critical, and the army is acting on the defensive awaiting reinforcements.

CAPE ADVICES REPORT THAT MOIROSI HAS BEEN KILLED.

THE PROSECUTION OF THE IRISH EDITION—MONGERS ABANDONED.

The prosecution of the Irishmen recently arrested has been abandoned.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

The next FRENCH MAIL may be expected to arrive on or about Wednesday next, the 24th, by the M. M. steamer.

We learn from the Agents (Messrs Jardine, Matheson & Co.) that the S. S. Gleniffer left Singapore for this port yesterday, the 19th instant.

In H. B. M. Provincial Court at Amoy, on the 16th instant, before H. A. Giles, Esq., Acting Consul, Captain R. Talbot of the S. S. Emerald was fined in the nominal sum of \$50 for having left that port on the 14th ult., with more than twenty Chinese passengers, and unprovided with the proper emigration papers, in contravention of section IV of the "Chinese Passengers Act, 1855."

In the para. appearing in our columns on Thursday evening, stating that a telegram dated London, Nov. 31st, states that all mails to and from the East will be sent via Paris and Modena, the last word should be Modena. This is the last station on the French frontier, and a Railway Post Office is worked between there and Paris. The telegram no doubt means that the Southampton route is suppressed, and that all the British packet mails will be sent via Brindisi. Last advice from London, Nov. 7th, left this unsettled.

VICTORIA REGATTA.

TWENTY-FOURTH MEETING.

Patron:—His Excellency JOHN POPE HENNESSY, C.M.G.

Vice-Patrons:—His Excellency Major-General DONOVAN, His Excellency Vice-Admiral COOTE, C.B., R.N., Commodore SMITH, R.N.

Stewards:—Hon. W. KESWICK, Hon. H. B. GIBB, W. H. FORBES, Esq., A. MELVILL, Esq., Colonel STUART, R.E., Lieut. Colonel GEDDES, 27th Infantry, Captain CLEVELAND, H.M.S. Iron Duke, and H. HOPKINS, Esq.

Committee:—T. JACKSON, Esq. (Chairman), H. E. WOODHOUSE, Esq., E. L. WOODIN, Esq., E. BEARY, Esq., W. HINES, Esq., DR. CLOUTH, Lieut.-Commander ANNISLEY, R.N., W. VON BOBERS, Esq., A. P. McEWEN, Esq., D. GILLIES, Es

Station No. 2.—*Leila*, magenta and black.
Bow, Mr R. Blades, 10st. 2lb.
No. 2, Mr H. A. Ritchie, 11st. 1lb.
No. 3, Mr H. A. Ritchie, 11st. 6lb.
Stroke, Mr E. L. Woodin, 12st. 6lb.
Cox, Mr H. A. Ritchie, 1st. 6lb.

Station No. 3.—*Sylph*, white, blue and red.
Bow, Mr W. Dunman, 10st. 13lb.
No. 2, Mr M. Falconer, 11st. 8lb.
No. 3, C. W. Holliday, 12st. 10lb.
Stroke, Mr A. K. Travers, 13st. 2lb.
Cox, Mr A. J. Lewis, 1st. 6lb.

For this, the last race of the meeting, three boats came to the scratch, the *Thistle* taking the first station, the *Leila* the second as shown on the programme, and the *Sylph* the inner or third place. A very even start was effected, the boats getting well away together, but when abreast of the Police Station at Yow-mah-ti the *Sylph* was compelled to come to a stop through the stretcher and seat of No. 2 oar giving way. She was therefore compelled to leave the course. A close race followed between the remaining boats, resulting in a win for the *Leila* by about a boat and a half's length. Time, 7 minutes and 46½ seconds.

SAILING RACE.—For all open boats, Chinese excluded. Entrance \$2. First prize, \$20; second, \$10.

Station No. 1.—Mr N. Spratt's *Small Fish*, No. 2.—Mr P. H. Emanuel's *Daphne*, white, blue and red.

This was an easy race for the *Small Fish*, the *Daphne* being badly managed.

YACHT RACE.—For all Yachts. Entrance \$5. Time for Tonnage. Cup presented by the Victoria Recreation Club.

Station No. 1.—Mr J. McLeod's *Cutter*, *Naiaid*, 29 tons, red, white, and blue cross.

Station No. 2.—Mr H. Dickie's *Cutter*, *Ariel*, 13 tons, blue, with white anchor.

Station No. 3.—Mr C. V. Smith's *Cutter*, *Wave*, 21 tons, blue, white star.

Station No. 4.—Mr W. H. Forbes' *Cutter*, *Naomi*, 30 tons, blue and white triangles.

The yachts started at 11.15. The *Naiaid* sailed from the northward, which strengthened as they got down the harbour, the *Naiaid*, from her weatherly position, getting the best of it. As they passed out the Cap-sid-moon Pass, the wind freshened into a nice sailing breeze, in fact the little one had more than she knew what to do with. The Cow-e-chow mark was rounded.

	b. min. sec.
<i>Naiaid</i>	1 57 30
<i>Naomi</i>	1 59 30
<i>Ariel</i>	2 5
<i>Wave</i>	2 12 45

They all tacked close round the mark and could just lay to the Chung Hue flag-boat, which was rounded.

	b. min. sec.
<i>Naiaid</i>	2 21 10
<i>Naomi</i>	2 23 7
<i>Ariel</i>	2 26 35
<i>Wave</i>	2 31 10

The *Naiaid* still kept the lead, which she held to the Flag-ship, the mark being rounded.

	b. min. sec.
<i>Naiaid</i>	2 44 15
<i>Naomi</i>	2 47 15
<i>Ariel</i>	2 52 30
<i>Wave</i>	2 58 45

The *Naiaid* overreached in beating to the Regatta Bay mark, and the *Naomi* seeing this, stayed at once, profiting considerably by the move, and the *Wave* getting afloat out of Yow-mah-ti Bay closed up with the *Ariel*. The mark was rounded.

	b. min. sec.
<i>Naiaid</i>	3 2 50
<i>Naomi</i>	3 5
<i>Ariel</i>	3 9 55
<i>Wave</i>	3 12 35

The *Naiaid* was very quick in her canvas and increased her lead at the Flag ship mark. The round was concluded.

	b. min. sec.
<i>Naiaid</i>	3 11 10
<i>Naomi</i>	3 14 30
<i>Ariel</i>	3 19
<i>Wave</i>	3 23 35

And as the wind appeared to be still fresh down the harbour it was decided to send the boats round a second time. The *Naiaid* held the lead all the way down to the Cow-e-chow mark, which was rounded.

	b. min. sec.
<i>Naiaid</i>	3 51 15
<i>Naomi</i>	3 56 55
<i>Ariel</i>	4 2 30
<i>Wave</i>	4 5 42

There was more easing as the boats rounded, and it was a dead heat at the Chung-Hue mark, when *Naomi* began to draw up to the *Naiaid*, but there was not enough to make it a sure thing. The Chung-Hue mark was rounded.

	b. min. sec.
<i>Naiaid</i>	4 30 30
<i>Naomi</i>	4 33 5
<i>Ariel</i>	4 46
<i>Wave</i>	not timed.

There was a slashing breeze after rounding and the boats travelled fast for the Flag-ship, the mark at which was rounded.

	b. min. sec.
<i>Naiaid</i>	4 55 30
<i>Naomi</i>	4 59
<i>Ariel</i>	5 18
<i>Wave</i>	5 28 50

The *Naiaid* still held her way although the *Naomi*, with a spinnaker on bowsprit-end, hunted her very close; but barring accidents the cup was almost a certainty for the *Naiaid*. The mark in Regatta Bay was rounded.

	b. min. sec.
<i>Naiaid</i>	5 7 15
<i>Naomi</i>	5 9 30
<i>Ariel</i>	5 28
<i>Wave</i>	5 34 10

A nice breeze coming out of Yow-mah-ti Bay, the *Naiaid*, with spinnaker and jib,

tall, came out for the winning mark at a rattling pace, the *Naomi* following but now very unlikely to get her time off the *Naiaid* who passed the line at 5 h. 14 m. 17 s. The *Naomi's* gun going at 5 h. 18 m. 8 s. The *Ariel* passed the line at 5 h. 35 m. 42 s. The *Wave* at 5 h. 40 m. 50 s. The *Naiaid* therefore won the cups on both days.

Three cheers were given for Mrs Honesty at the conclusion of the distribution of the Cups, three for the Ladies, and three each for the Chairman, the Secretary, the Commodore and the Governor.

Errata:—In yesterday's account of the races, in the sixth race, for "the Commodore simply walked away with the race" &c., read "the *Zulu* crew walked away." The Commodore's boat was last, beaten for the first time. In the fourth race, the *Iron Duke's* galley is put in the third place, it should be the *Figiant's* galley.

REGATTA JOTTINGS.

This year's Regatta has been exceptionally popular, and the racing, on the whole, has been worthy of the public favour. The method of starting was primitive and clumsy. There should have been buoys, with lines attached, previously moored at their proper distances apart, and in line. This would have saved great delay and trouble. The sculling exhibition was decidedly mediocre. It is a pity Mr Woodin did not give a lesson in the art for the benefit of certain young gentlemen to whom allusion has been made in our columns some few days ago.

The Royal Artillery in the "Gunner" set an example of good rowing to every crew at the Regatta, if we except the Celestials. Both the Men-of-war's men, French and English, and the Police, seem to consider that the some of perfection in rowing is attained by jerking the body over the oar with a violence painful to behold, giving to the unpractised eye the appearance of a boat full of men being suddenly seized with the colic. The Gunners did the mile in forty-five seconds quicker time in their irrigated boat, than did Mr Woodin's German crew in the *Leila*. Before leaving this part of the subject, let us express a hope that for once the "ole ole custom" of "bucketting" will be rejected for ever, even in conservative Hongkong. The *Thistle* proved herself by several lengths the best crew for the Chairman's Cup, for had not her coxswain apparently lost his head as well as his hat, Mr Travers would have won by at least three lengths more than he did. Mr Bennett rowed a strong and pretty oar; he and the stroke of the "Gunner" showed the best "form" at the Meeting.

We fear Mr Woodin had a passenger on board clad in Magenta. The Hon. Secretary rowed pluckily but appeared fine drawn. We have said enough about the rowing of the sailors. The German Cup produced a capital race. From the start Mr Travers' No 2 was done, and one fancied that he carried some dead weight with him though clad in White and Blue. Anyhow, a splendid race ensued, and whoever may think that the veteran Stroke of the V.R.C. cannot quicken, must have been thoroughly undeceived on Friday off the Shears.

To-day the racing was productive of first-class sport. The style of the boats in the first race was as vicious as when they pulled yesterday. The Third Race, the race of the meeting, as far as the general interest was concerned, was productive of a good race, and at the same time, of both good and indifferent rowing. The substitution of a new man at the last moment proved of incalculable service to the English. The English stroke rowed well, indeed excelled his performance of yesterday. The remainder backed him up well. In the Irish boat all praise is due to Mr Bennett. He has fully sustained his previous day's reputation, as about the prettiest and most honest oar in the Colony (amongst the younger hands).

The even betting we predicted last week has been fully substantiated, for we warned all against laying the ridiculous odds which, even then, were offered on either crew.

In the Fourth race, perhaps the closest finish seen on the Hongkong course ensued, between the *Armide's* Admiral's cutter and *Iron Duke*. We heartily congratulate our gallant allies on their desperate victory.

The Sculling again was of a third rate order and somewhat monotonous. Here we cannot refrain from protesting against another "Ole Ole Custom," in stopping a Regatta to present one particular prize. It may be necessary that all dowagers and their respective floes should reach the paternal roof in time to secure "the cup which cheers but not inebriates," mais "ce n'est pas la guerre." The rowing in the naval officers' race was characterized by the same dismal "bucketting" which infects as a disease so much of the rowing we have lately witnessed. The stronger and not the better crew won.

The race for the American Cup gave rise to much speculation, and was instructive to a certain extent satisfactory, in demonstrating thoroughly the great superiority of Mr Woodin's craft. We proclaimed her a good two lengths better than any other boat over the course; and so she proved herself to be. The "Service" crew pulled in better time and "form" than the *Leila*, after making due allowance for Mr Murphy's shortcomings. The *Leila* won by a length and a half. Taken man for man, the "Service" crew were the more powerful.

The line given about the Members' Cup was fully borne out by the result. And now we have to broach two unpleasant subjects. At one time from the *Umpire's* Launch could be counted over a dozen launches steaming steadily ahead of the same, and many of the competing crews. This was notably the case in the "International," and we go so far as to say that the losing crew suffered from this outrage on decency and fair sport. It reminded one of the halcyon days of the penny steamboats at the University race, when in 1869 they succeeded in swamping Cambridge, to the intense delight of book-makers, and "Arny and his young lady out for the day."

Now for the last query, which we approach with diffidence. At the last moment, a few hours before the International race was run, Mr Sampson was substituted for Mr Dunman, on the score of the latter's

indisposition. All bets had been made and booked. And yet the "invalid" can pull in two races, and win them too!

We do not for a moment wish to detract from the credit due to the English crew, but in a regatta, where the betting is on a crew as it stands, will the betting hold good? We know great odds were given, last evening, on the understanding that Mr Dunman was going to row. We think it a fair question of appeal. The entries closed on a certain day. Is it permissible, in a Regatta, to make a post entry? We think otherwise.

Japan.

(News.)

We are given to understand that the duplex system of telegraphy, with the Morse instrument, has been in successful working for some months past on one of the longest of the Government lines, viz., that extending between Yokohama, Kobe, and Nagasaki.

The demand amongst the Japanese for vessels of foreign construction continues. We note the disposal of three small vessels to native buyers during the past few days, the *schr. Alerta*, 215 tons, for \$5,200, the *brig Leonora*, 251 tons, for \$7,600 and the *brig Orinoco*, 220 tons, for \$4,500. These vessels all flew the British flag. The *Leonora* is still classed A1, and is a handy vessel. Her purchaser is having her cabin handomely furnished, and intends to ship a number of apprentices, or midshipmen, who will live at, and learn the mysteries of seamanship and navigation. The *Orinoco* is zinc, instead of coppered, which accounts, to a certain extent, for the relatively smaller price obtained for her, in comparison with the price paid for the *Leonora*. A native Japanese paper states that a coal-mine has been discovered on Butai-jima, Hiroshima Ken, by a *shizoku* of that prefecture, Mr Yoshida, who has made application to Government for permission to work it. Butai-jima is only 3 ri distant from Mihara, Bingo, the seat of the proposed navy yard.

A gratification of 2,500 yen has been presented to the workmen engaged on the Koto-Otsu railway extension, by the Government.

NEWS NOTES FROM HONOLULU.

The C. M. S. N. Coy's steamer *Hochung* arrived on the 14th at Honolulu, landing there Mr Fan Yau Ki, accredited by the Chinese Empire to the government of these Islands with full powers to negotiate a treaty of amity and commerce with the Hawaiian Kingdom. The presence of an Ambassador from the Chinese government and an Agent of the Navigation Company in the person of Senor Celso Cesar Moreno, plainly indicates, says the *Hawaiian Gazette*, that the Chinese government means business with this Kingdom. "In our humble opinion we think that it is high time that action should be taken by both Governments looking to more complete commercial arrangements between the two countries. The large Chinese population on these Islands warrants the Chinese authorities in looking after the interests and well-being of the Chinese here, and we are pleased to know that a better understanding is about to be had between the two countries."

On the 17th, which was observed as a holiday in Honolulu, it being the anniversary of His Majesty, King Kalakaua's birthday, the shipping in the harbor was profusely decorated with bunting in honor of the occasion, prominent among which was the Chinese steamer *Hochung*.

The China Merchant's Steam Navigation Company's steamer *Hochung*, Captain Peterson, arrived in this port on Thursday morning, the 14th Nov., 26 days from Whampoa, with 451 Chinese passengers, 13 of whom are females. The *Hochung* also brought as a passenger Mr C. C. Moreno, who is the agent for the company in Hawaii, and who is also authorized to enter into negotiations with the Hawaiian government relative to the future movements of the Chinese immigrating to these Islands. From this, says the *Gazette*, it would seem that a new field of operations is about to be opened up on the part of the Chinese government through the Navigation Company, who contemplate running a line of steamers between China and Callao, touching at and taking in the direct trade with these Islands, and thus make the line a profitable one. In such an arrangement we can easily conceive how beneficial direct communication would be with China for this Kingdom, and we hope that whatever negotiations may take place will be carried on and consummated with that sole object in view.

THE BRITISH FORCE IN CHINESE AND JAPANESE WATERS.

(Japan Gazette.)

We are glad to see the English papers have called the attention of the home authorities to the condition of the vessels of the British force in Chinese and Japanese waters. In truth, by comparison with the fleets of France, Germany, and Russia, the ships under Admiral Cootes's command are miserably inadequate, if complications should arise, for the performance of the assigned duties. If war broke out the chief part of the squadron would have to crawl into Hongkong for the protection of the batteries that command the entrances and harbour. For instance, there is the *Iron Duke* armed with two hundred and fifty pounds only: the *Charlyddin*, an old vessel, with old boilers, and of low speed; the *Ligeria* now near the end of a second commission; the *Fly*, *Frodo*, *Grower*, *Hart*, *Hornet*, *Kestrel*, *Midge*, all old, mostly worn out and scarcely able to face head winds. The *Vigilant* seems to be always in difficulties, and the only sound vessels of the fleet are the *Encounter*, *Cumus*, *Lapping*, and *Pegasus*. The French have one very efficient small ironclad, the *Armide*, and a more powerful vessel, the *Thémis*, will soon be due, and in all the English navy there are but eight vessels fit to compete in speed and effectiveness with the *Champlain*, *Kerubien*, and other swift cruisers. The Germans have the *Prinz Adalbert*, a vessel similar to H. M. S. *Bacchante*, and a fast corvette, the *Zules*. The Russian force will soon be most formidable, comprising, as it does, the *Mikha* with twelve inch armour and six hundred pound cannon, and the fast and heavily armed new corvettes *Ostia*, *brak*, *Ligit*, &c., &c., all fitted with long range guns, and able to keep the sea for months together. We do not refer to the vessels of the Japanese navy as possible enemies, as the new vessels which are supposed to form the strength of the navy of the empire seem to spend much or most of their time in dock.

NORTH CHINA.

(Japan Gazette.)

The accounts we receive from North China assure us that for the present certainly, and probably for a long time to come at any rate, peace between China and Japan will remain unbroken. We are sorry to say that, in our informant's opinion, there is in China no diminution of ill feeling toward Japan, so that if China, which is very willing to wound but afraid to strike, should come to think herself strong enough to attack Japan with any chance of success hostilities might quickly come about if the present mood of enmity should last long enough. Considerable orders have been sent to Europe for delivery to China in April and May next. These orders comprise gun vessels and torpedo boats, torpedo apparatus, cannon, small arms, ammunition, and machinery.

A very general improvement has taken place in the whole internal trade of the Chinese empire, and if the winter passes over peacefully a great further revival of internal commerce is expected for the next summer and autumn, so much so that it is hoped the first steps of improvement of waterways, roads, and intercommunications will commend themselves to the high authorities as good not only for strategy but for commerce and revenue.

Some new trades have started up. A great business is now being done with Mongolia, which country a few years ago yielded only a few skins and some insignificant articles in return for the imported manufactures wanted. Now the balance is in favour of the Mongols, who sell great quantities of hides and skins, wool, camel hair, feathers, and carpets, considerably in excess of the imported goods, so that *specie* is flowing at a good rate into the pockets of the desert. But then there are no official rings to stifle the trade, and the official transport company has had to change its ways, and exists now under different conditions to those of its first inception, so that no great fault can be found now with the China Merchant Steamer Company.

THE P. & O. COMPANY'S BEST BOAT.

The *Kaisar-i-Hind* is thus spoken of by the *Bombay Gazette*. We have been over the ship two or three times, and our contemporary's remarks seem to us very fair and just:—

So much has been said in praise of the *Kaisar* by writers who have only seen her in harbour that it is right to mention the less favourable opinion apparently entertained of her by passengers of experience who have made a voyage in her. This last voyage has put her capabilities to the proof, all her resources having been taxed to the uttermost. She has brought to Bombay 166 first class passengers, besides many second-class and deck passengers, and a very large cargo, including many packages of winter clothing for the Afghan troops, which she took off the *Australia* at Plymouth, and which can now hardly be in time to be of much service. Every part of the ship, in fact, was full. Several first-class passengers were packed four together in eight berthed second-class cabins; and it was found necessary to have two breakfasts and dinners in the saloon every day. Nothing could be better, in these circumstances, than the management of the ship itself and the cuisine. The speed of the *Kaisar*, too, is undeniable. She has done an average of over 300 miles a day all the way from Su-z, against for three days at least a strong head wind in the Indian Ocean; and the same rate of speed would, but for the delays in the Canal, have given us the English mails last Sunday night, that is to say, in 16 days' time from London. She is very steady, too, against a head wind, though she rolled heavily in the Bay of Biscay with the wind on the beam. But, as a type of passenger ship instead of being an improvement on such ships as the *Pekin*, the *Hindustan*, the *Deccan*, and others, she is decidedly inferior to them in many respects. She may be defined as a big ship with nothing big about her. Her saloon is low and not well proportioned. Her cabin accommodation is surprisingly small for so large a ship, and numbers of the first class cabins have as many as four berths. There are two sets of cabins on the spar deck on either side of the engine room, which, passengers who have had to use them, pronounce to be decidedly uncomfortable, but these are pleasant in comparison with the deck cabins at the stern of the ship immediately over the screw. Any one who wishes to realize what Sancho Panza's feelings were when he had been tossed in a blanket at the inn should sleep for a night in one of these cabins. The immensely powerful screw, as it revolves, gives such shocks as makes the whole after part of the ship leap as it were into the air, and it is simply cruelty to animals to put any persons to sleep in such places. Indeed, the increased speed of the P. and O. steamers, meaning as it does increased vibration from the screw, is another argument in favour of putting all the first class cabins in front of the engines and boilers. The P. and O. builders stick to the old arrangement, but have tried to effect a miserable compromise in the *Kaisar-i-Hind* as regards one of the good features of the *Orient* or the *White Star* ships, by putting up a hurricane deck in the middle of the ship. In the *Orient*, the hurricane deck, being in front of the engines and boilers, is perfectly unencumbered, and forms a delightful promenade for passengers. But the *Kaisar's* hurricane deck has the smoke-stack, engine room, and kitchen in the middle, and lines of heneepens on either side. There are intermediate passages, along which passengers may walk, if they care to have one side of their faces burnt by the intense heat of the ship's funnels, and the other chilled by a gale of wind. In smaller matters, we find all the old blunders repeated in the *Kaisar*. You sit in the saloon on a knife board instead of in an easy chair. You cannot get your legs under the table for more than a few inches because the floor is piled with extra leaves and camp stools; so that you have the pleasure of eating your dinner while sitting in a pillory. Then all the benches have hard corners; there is no room to sit up in a lower berth with tucking your head against the upper berth; and to climb into the upper berth you require the agility of a gymnast, as there are no fixed steps in the cabins by which you may mount. When will the P. and O. Company learn to discard the old theory that people who go to sea should be made as uncomfortable as possible, and aim at converting their steamers into luxurious floating hotels?

THE "DOUBLE ACROSTICS FOR THE SERVICES."

The "Double Acrostics for the Services" are distinguished by the two principal words being connected with the Naval and Military professions; such for example as "Sword," "Marine-spike," "Platoon," &c. No such restriction applies to the lights.

All solutions should be sent to Editor, *China Mail* Office, by noon, on the Friday following the publication of any one Acrostic, with the word "Acrostic" on the envelope. Any arriving subsequently will not be entertained.

A premium of \$10 will be given to the person giving the greatest number of correct solutions by New Year's day.

Every Saturday a new Acrostic will be given, together with the solution of the one of the previous week.—The successful names will also be published.

ANSWERS TO ACROSTIC No. IX.

Quick.	Match.
Q	quorum
U	umbrella
I	innocent
C	chromatic
K	—H

Correct answers have been received from "Jack & Jill," "Globules," "Kobe Eagle," "Ubique," "Vox Populi," "Funny Phin," and "Owls &c."

X.

"Should e'er some footstep haply stray
Where caution marks the guarded way,"
Should such a one observe the chime,
He'll hear the subject of this rhyme.

When to the open sky I turn my face
No danger fear; but seek for Heaven's grace
If closed my eye, and pray the roaring wind
May cease its battling and be once more kind.

1.

A sister she and also wife,
She nearly lost her husband's life.
For shame! For shame! "so spoke a little bird,
In English poem, thought by some absurd.

2.

Far from me! Far from me! on land and on sea,
Both birds, beasts, and fishes endeavour to flee,
(That is they would surely if well they could see.)

3.

An antique name for a new complaint,
Sharp torment it of sinner and saint.
Emblazoned on some hoary warriors' caps,
Who now have surely 'scaped the war's mis-haps.

4.

A source of England's strength in days of yore
When on her front the mailed warriors bore;
Then a sure cause of death, e'en now a sign
Where man to earth his body doth resign.

5.

A little flower or shrub, yet gave a name
For ever blazoned on the scroll of fame.
A term applied to unctuous oily things.—
Useful when said of locks and bolts and springs.

YONKOR.

THE BISHOP AT SEA.

A story I've heard of a Bishop out here,
Who lived in the old, old day,
And, dishing the sea, more at home did appear
On the sea that don't end with an A.

Occasion he had a short voyage to make
In the burst of the autumn monsoon,
With his truly soul-stirring discourse to awake
The slumbering souls at Rangoon.
The sea it was rough, and the ship it did lurch,
And it blew without reason or ruth;
And the consequence was this mainstay of the Church
Suffered much for the sake of the truth.

The sea it grew rougher, the night it grew black,
And the rain-drops fell heavy and thick,
And the Bishop he heartily wished himself back,
And Rangoon—it might go to old Nick!

He stumbled on deck, and the tempest desecrated;
But, before he retired to his bed,
He took the bold skipper a moment aside,
And thus to the skipper he said:

"O skipper, I really enjoy a good blow,
And 'tis truly a glorious sight;
But your candid opinion I'm anxious to know—
Do you think there is danger to-night?"

The skipper he hitched himself up, and he laughed,
Then he suddenly grew very grave,
As a hurricane equal seemed to stagger the craft,
And she buried her nose in a wave.

And he said, "Well, your grace, it's a dirty night,
But whether the vessel will ride,
I really can't tell you; we'll know before light:
In Providence we must confide."

"Good gracious!" the Bishop exclaimed in dismay,
As he clutched at his old shovel hat,
"This is terrible, skipper! you don't mean to say
That really it has come to that?"

—Alpha Chess ("Lays of Iad.")

A MAN'S ANSWER TO A WOMAN'S QUESTION.

Well do I know that the thing I ask
Is the costliest thing on earth.
A true woman's heart and wonderful love,
Who can express their worth!

How many a man, with wealth at command,
Hath purchased a life of pain!
For he who hath thought that love could be bought
Hath spent his money in vain.

But love, though it cannot be bought, can be given,
And this thing I seek in thee;
Thy noble heart, that priceless gift,
More dear than all else to me.

For Sale.

CHRISTMAS STORES.

MacEWEN, FRICKEL & Co.,

BEG to call attention to the following New Supply of STORES, which they have Received

Ex "GORDON CASTLE"

And Other Recent Arrivals.

CHRISTMAS CAKES, 4-lb., 5-lb. and 6-lb. each.
CHRISTMAS PLUM PUDDINGS.
Pure AMERICAN CANDIES.
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HAM TONGUE & CHICKEN SAUSAGE.
WESTPHALIAN, BOLOGNA, OXFORD, and TRUFFLED SAUSAGES.
GAME PIES.
Potted MEATS.
Prime Yorkshire HAMS.
Prime Wiltshire BACON in tins & Canvases.
Pickled OX-TONGUES.
OX-TONGUES in JELLY.
TRUFFLES.
CALIFORNIA ROLL BUTTER.
CUTTING'S Canned DESSERT FRUITS.

HUNTLEY & PALMER'S BISCUITS.
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First-class and Medium CHAMPAGNES, Pils and Quarts.

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SCOTCH and IRISH WHISKIES.

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ASHER'S MODEL BOOKS OF FOREIGN COMMERCIAL CORRESPONDENCE, GERMAN, FRENCH and SPANISH.

"NORTH CHINA HERALD" D A T E BLOCK for 1880.

New Season's PRESENT TEA, in 5 and 10 Catty Boxes.

December 15, 1879.

For Sale.

J. NOBLE,

JEWELLER & WATCHMAKER,

HAS just RECEIVED a FINE SELECTION of

GOLD and SILVER JEWELLERY,

In the Newest Designs.

MORDAN'S GOLD and SILVER PEN and PENCIL CASES, SILVER CUPS,

And many NOVELTIES, Suitable for Christmas and New Year's Presents.

8, QUEEN'S ROAD, HONGKONG.

Hongkong, December 16, 1879. de30

NOW READY.

PRICE, \$1.50.

"COMPARATIVE CHINESE FAMILY LAW,"

By E. H. PARKER.

Can be obtained from KELLY & WALSH at Shanghai and Hongkong, at LANE, CRAWFORD & Co., Hongkong, and at the China Mail Office.

Hongkong, December 6, 1879.

WASHING BOOKS.

(In English and Chinese.)

WASHERMAN'S BOOKS, for the use of Ladies and Gentlemen, are now ready at this Office.—Price, \$1 each.

CHINA MAIL Office.

Notices of Firms.

NOTICE.

THE Undermentioned will not be RESPONSIBLE for any ACCOUNT contracted in his Name, unless a written authority, duly Signed by him, be produced.

JOHN LAWRENCE,

2nd Officer, Str. Powan.

Hongkong, December 15, 1879. de22

NOTICE.

WE Have authorized Mr HENRY PRINCE TENNANT to Sign the Name of our Firm at Foochow.

GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.

Hongkong, December 15, 1879. de29

NOTICE.

THE INTEREST and RESPONSIBILITY of Mr C. BRAUN in our Firm, CEASED on the 23rd September A.C.

Mr C. STIEBEL is authorized to Sign our Firm.

REISS & Co.,

Hongkong, Shanghai, Yokohama.

Hongkong, October 3, 1879. ja3

NOTICE.

FROM the 1st of OCTOBER, DR EASTLAKE will receive his PATIENTS at his new DENTAL ROOMS, No. 50, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL, over the MEDICAL HALL.

Hongkong, September 23, 1878.

NOTICE.

THE Undermentioned has established himself at the Premises formerly occupied by LAMBERT, ATKINSON & Co., Peddar's Wharf, as

AUCTIONEER, APPRAISER

AND

COMMISSION AGENT.

All GOODS entrusted for SALE will be fully covered by FIRE INSURANCE.

G. R. LAMBERT.

Hongkong, July 1, 1879.

NOTICE.

THE Undermentioned have been appointed AGENTS to the NEW YORK BOARD OF UNDERWRITERS.

ARNHOLD, KARBURG & Co.

RECORD OF AMERICAN and FOREIGN SHIPPING.

Agents,

ARNHOLD, KARBURG & Co.

Hongkong, Sept. 3, 1879. See80

Notices to Consignees.

BRITISH SHIP BELTED WILL, FROM LONDON.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo by the above Vessel are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading to the Undersigned for countersignature, and to take immediate delivery of their Goods.

Cargo impeding the discharge of the Vessel will be landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

No FIRE Insurance has been effected.

Ex Anadyr.

D M & Co., 245/8, Order, 4 cases Mer-

(in heart) chandise, from London.

K W 11 Messrs Kelly and Walsh, 1 case Books, from Marseilles.

S P Order, 145 bags Sharp Stone, from Madras.

J J Mr J. J. Lantier, 2 cases Merchandise, from Saigon.

G. DE CHAMPEAUX,

Agent.

Hongkong, December 19, 1879.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

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Hongkong, December 19, 1879.

Intimations.

HONGKONG RACES, 1880.

On Account of the ALTERATION in the departure of the Mails—the Date of the RACE MEETING has been Changed to:

THURSDAY, FRIDAY, and SATURDAY, February 26th, 27th, and 28th, 1880.

L. B. FRIEND,

Clerk of the Course.

Hongkong, December 16, 1879. de21

HONGKONG RACES, 1880.

HONGKONG DEBUT.

NOMINATIONS Close on MONDAY, 22nd December, 1879.—Addressed to the Clerk of the Course, at the Hongkong Club.

L. B. FRIEND,

Clerk of the Course.

Hongkong, December 16, 1879. de21

TENDERS will be RECEIVED at this Office up to Noon on the 24th Instant, for Building QUARTERS for a STOREMAN at the Kowloon Naval Yard, in accordance with Plan, Specification and Conditions to be seen on Application to the Undersigned.

The lowest or any Tender will not necessarily be accepted.

WILLIAM HYNES,

For Naval Storekeeper.

Naval Store Office,

Royal Naval Yard,

Hongkong, 17th Dec., 1879. de24

REGATTA and PUBLIC HOLIDAYS.

THE undermentioned Banks will close on THURSDAY and FRIDAY, the 25th and 26th Instant, and THURSDAY the 1st January, being public holidays.

For the "Oriental Bank Corporation,"

GEO. O. SCOTT, Manager.

For the "Chartered Mercantile Bank of India, London and China,"

H. H. NELSON, Manager.

For the "Chartered Bank of India, Australia and China,"

E. G. MOBERLY, Acting Manager.

For the "Comptoir d'Escompte de Paris,"

E. SCHWEDLIN, Acting Agent.

For the "Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation,"

T. JACKSON, Chief Manager.

For the "National Bank of India, Ltd.,"

R. H. SANDEMAN, Manager.

Hongkong, Dec. 19, 1879. ja2

DENTAL NOTICE.

DR. ROGERS has returned and is now ready to RECEIVE PATIENTS.—No. 7, ARBUTHNOT ROAD.

Hongkong, December 8, 1879.

HONGKONG PUBLIC SCHOOL.

THE above SCHOOL will be Opened in St. PAUL'S COLLEGE on MONDAY, JANUARY 5th.

Hours (for the present) 9 A.M. to 1 P.M.

Fee, \$3 per month, payable in advance.

Applications for Admission should be made at once to the Right Rev. Bishop BURTON.

By Order of the Committee,

A. LISTER,

Hon. Secretary.

Hongkong, December 17, 1879. de31

TAKASIMA COLLIERY.

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., AGENTS.

FOR SALE, Large and Small COAL.

Apply at the OFFICES, No. 7, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL, or to

THOS. G. GLOVER, East Point.

Hongkong, December 1, 1879. ja1

YANGTZE INSURANCE ASSOCIATION.

NOTICE.

IN accordance with the Articles of Agreement, the Directors have declared a DIVIDEND to POLICYHOLDERS for the FIFTEEN MONTHS ending 31st December 1878, of THIRTY-THREE PER CENT. on the NET PREMIA CONTRIBUTED, payable at our OFFICE on and after the 15th Instant.

POLICYHOLDERS are requested to send in particulars of their Contributions.

By Order of the Directors,

RUSSELL & Co.,

Agents.

Hongkong, May 5, 1879. ja1

YEUNG CHUN CHONG.—I was a Steward on board the Princess Charlotte nearly 15 Years. The Dr. (BENNETT) had shown me to make MILD PUNCH WINE, and I have followed doing the same and used Superior Materials or Stuff which is made by Dr. Bennett, which may be drunk at any time without pernicious effect. Now I wish to be established on shore.—No. 62, WELLINGTON STREET.

QUAN CHEONG.

Hongkong, December 2, 1879. ja2

HONGKONG AND CHINA GAS COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE Transfer BOOKS of this Company will be CLOSED from the 20th Inst. until the 3rd Proximo, both days included.

A. NEWTON,

Manager.

Hongkong, December 4, 1879. ja3

HONGKONG WHARF & GODOWNS.

GOODS RECEIVED on STORAGE at Moderate Rates, in FIRST-CLASS GODOWNS, under European supervision, and VESSELS Discharged alongside the Wharf, on favorable Terms, with quick despatch. Also entire Godowns to be let.

MEYER & Co.

Hongkong, December 4, 1879. ja4

Mails.

U. S. MAIL LINE.

PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

THROUGH TO NEW YORK, VIA

VERLAND RAILWAYS, AND TOUCHING AT YOKOHAMA, AND SAN FRANCISCO.

THE U. S. Mail Steamship CITY OF

PEKING will be despatched for San Francisco, via Yokohama, on WEDNESDAY, the 24th December, at 3 p.m., taking passengers, and freight, for Japan, the United States, and Europe.

Through Bills of Lading issued for transportation to Yokohama and other Japan Ports, to San Francisco, to Atlantic and Inland Cities of the United States via Overland Railways, to Havana, Trinidad, and Demerara, and to ports in Mexico, Central and South America by the Company's and connecting Steamers.

Through Passage Tickets granted to England, France, and Germany by all trans-Atlantic lines of Steamers.

Freight will be received on board until 4 p.m., the 23rd December. Parcel Packages will be received at the office until 5 p.m. same day; all Parcel Packages should be marked to address in full; value of same is required.

Consular Invoices to accompany Overland Cargo should be sent to the Company's Offices in Sealed Envelopes, addressed to the Collector of Customs at San Francisco.

For further information as to Passage and Freight, apply to the Agency of the Company, No. 8, Praya Central.

RUSSELL & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, November 20, 1879. de24

THE S. S. TAKASAGO MARU, Capt. YOUNG, due here on or about the 22nd Instant, will be despatched as above on SATURDAY, the 27th Dec., at Daylight.

Cargo received on board and Parcels at the Office up to 6 p.m. of 26th Dec.

No Bill of Lading signed under \$2 Freight.

All Claims must be settled on board before delivery is taken, otherwise they will not be recognized.

RATES OF PASSAGE.

To Kobe.....Cabin \$30. Steerage \$15.

"Yokohama & Nagasaki" Do. \$75. Do. \$20.

A REDUCTION is made on RETURN CABIN PASSAGES.

Cargo and Passengers for Nagasaki will be transhipped to the Shanghai Mail Steamer at Kobe.

For further Particulars, apply at the Company's OFFICES, No. 8, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL.

Hongkong, December 13, 1879. de27

STEAM FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG, POINT DE GALLE, ADEN, SUEZ, MALTA, BRINDISI, ANCONA, VENICE, MEDITERRANEAN PORTS, SOUTH-AMPTON, AND LONDON; VIA BOMBAY.

ALSO,

BOMBAY, MADRAS, AND CALCUTTA.

THE PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY'S Steamship PESHAWUR, Captain C. A. WHITE, will leave this on WEDNESDAY, the 31st Instant, at 11 p.m.

Tea and General Cargo for London will be conveyed direct Bombay without transhipment, arriving one week later than by the direct route. Silk and Valuables will be transferred to the Calcutta steamer at Galle.

For further Particulars, apply to

A. MOLLER, Superintendent.

Hongkong, December 18, 1879. ja1

Occidental & Oriental Steam Ship Company.

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Intimations.

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**DR. LALOR'S
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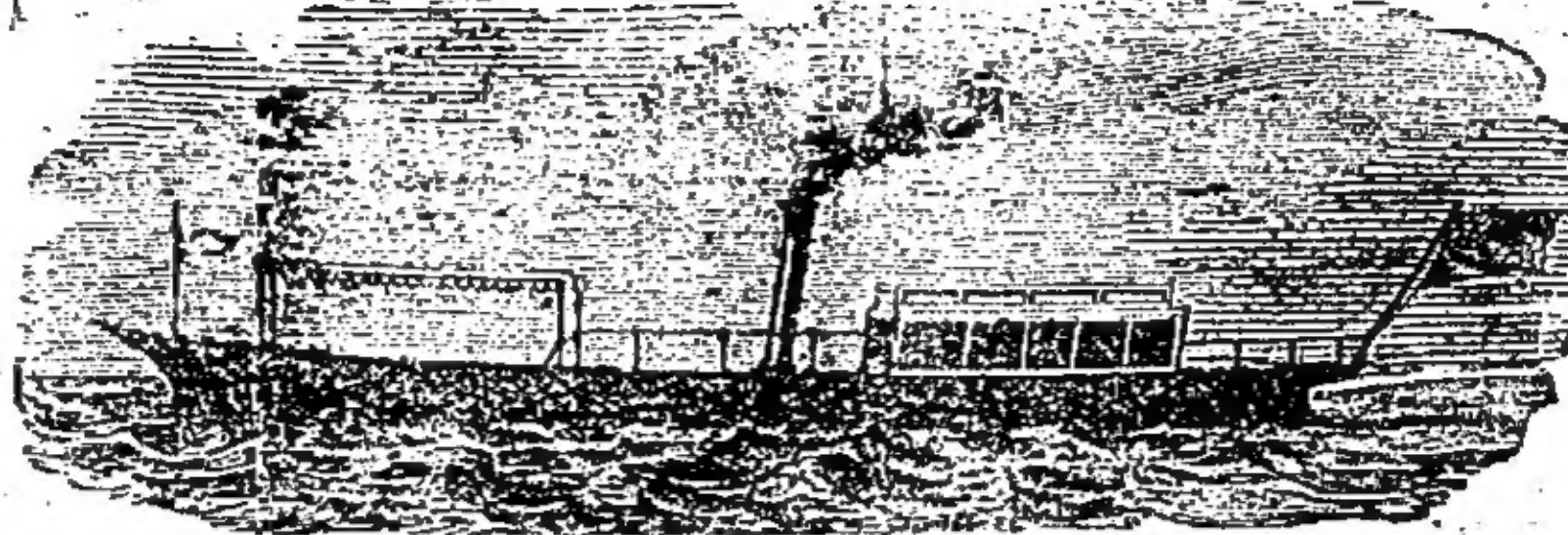
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